

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Acts 2:4.  
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## Special Orphanage Day, Sunday, May 9

### ABRAHAM AND THE STRANGERS

Text.—All the Nations of the Earth Shall Be Blessed in Him.—Gen. 18:18.

F. J. Lee

As Abraham sat in his tent door one day probably at the noon hour, his attention was attracted by the approaching of three men, he arose and ran to meet them and bowed himself to the ground. He also ordered that water be brought to wash their feet, and while they rest he has food prepared for them. It appears that Abraham had a disposition to be good and to do good unto all men. He did not ask those men of their names and perhaps he did not recognize them as being heavenly messengers, else he perhaps would not have offered them water to bathe their feet, and food to eat, yet he doubtless recognized them as being great men or men of extraordinary rank.

Illustration. "Eastern people have a proverb that 'Every stranger is an invited guest.' True hospitality according to this proverb consists not only of sharing one's home with friends but in entertaining therein strangers, and it is no half-way hospitality that is extended, as another Eastern proverb shows—'The guest while in the house is lord.' The high crime and misdemeanor of the town, declares a missionary who has lived among the black people of Africa, 'is to dine alone—their very word for 'criminal' has the meaning, 'Mr. Eat alone.'"

Again we will say Abraham's disposition was to bless humanity. There isn't any wonder that the announcement was made to him that all the nations of the earth should be blessed in him. First he was to become a great nation. He became the father of the Jewish nation which took its place among the nations and wielded a great influence over them. Also his name signifies that he was not only the father of the Jewish nation, but of many nations.

The text says, "nations shall be blessed in him." His very life and example has been a great incentive to the inhabitants of this world. The Lord said that Abraham would command his family before him. This being the case we can see how Abraham could bless the nations, his life, his example and precept as given to his family and proclaimed by them has blessed the peoples of the world, even down to this day.

**The Father of the Faithful.**  
The Jews looked on him as their father, they referred to him as "father Abraham", that very thought was an incentive to them to do right and to be genuine upright citizens.

We also find that he is a blessing to the nations in a spiritual sense. I am confident that if it was not for the righteous people who now dwell in the world God would wind up the business of this world and the wicked would go to their doom. "Only he who now letteth (hindereth) will let (hinder), until he be taken out of the way." Then the Lord will destroy the wicked one's armies with the brightness of His coming. (2 Thes. 2:7, 8.)

The Christian is the salt of the earth so said Jesus, and I am sure that if it was not for the salt the whole world would soon be in putrefaction. Isaiah said From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no

soundness.—Isa. 1:6. Then who is the author of these special favors to the world. The text says "In him shall all the nations of the earth be blessed."

Abraham believed God and it was accounted to him for righteousness.

Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham."

Now we can begin to see how Abraham blessed the nations, first he was the father of the great and wonderful family who furnished the lineage in which came Jesus the fulfillment of the promise made to him. The eyes of the nations being turned toward Jesus, trusting in and following Him may receive untold blessings. While all nations may feel the effects or influence of this promise, tens of thousands have come in direct contact with Him and become especially blessed.

If we are of faith, then according to the above Scripture we are children of Abraham, and we therefore should be just as faithful as our father in blessing other people.

**Three Heavenly Messengers.**

Abraham the representative of the entire faithful race received a witness from three heavenly messengers that he would be a blessing to all the nations. He referred to the spokesman as being the Lord. He perhaps would have called each of them Lord if he had addressed any one of them individually.

Now in order to be a real blessing to many people we must also receive the heavenly messengers, do I say messengers? Yes there should be a visit to our lives by a heavenly messenger who shall convict us of our sins after which, if we repent of our sins we may realize perfect pardon and justification from sin, then when we become a little more acquainted with him, He appears as another messenger not as the former to convict of sin, but He comes with the blood to apply to our soul. After this He comes into our life and takes complete control, He directs our mind until it is said we have the mind of Christ. The thought is we have received the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Other words the three messengers.

Abraham received the witness that Sodom would be destroyed. His love for the people made him intercede for them, but they had passed beyond redemption.

Every person who has met the three heavenly messengers has found within him that desire to help humanity. They have been made to groan in the spirit for the lost and fallen world. Many may escape if we continue to intercede. Some escaped from doomed Sodom. The angel said to Lot, "Escape for your life." This same message is going forth to men who dwell in Sodom (the doomed sinful world) "Escape for your life." Many have escaped to the mount of God's holiness and are shouting from the top of the mountain.

The angel insisted that Lot stay not at Zoar (little experience) but go to the place of safety, which is true.

#### THE TRAIN'S LOUD CALL

Pearl Adams

The train is whistling a lonesome call In the distance far away. It calls me to the harvest fields— Of souls for eternal day.

My heart is stirred by a love divine, I'd go to the fields so white— To glean the precious golden grain, Ere falls the dense black night.

Each time I hear the whistling train, Whether I'm here or there— Across the plain or city mart, I breathe a silent prayer—

That I may go and faithful be, To the call and truth that's given, A call from God that I should go And lead lost souls to heaven.

Clouds hang low, the winter's blast Is hovering very near. My heart swells now I long to go, I weep a silent tear.

O, then great One of the harvest white. Speed my faltering feet To haste away through winter's cold, Or summer's scorching heat.

Each time the train's lonesome call Rings out I seem to see— A friend I had on the gospel field A tried true friend to me.

Hand in hand we worked with speed, But one day he said good bye— He left me for the last long home Prepared by God on high.

So now 'tis lonely, the train's sad call, I oft must go alone, But I shall labor with my might Till my work on earth is done.

#### As a Train Stopped in Front of a Saloon

before which a man was struggling with another, beastly drunk, trying to get him to go home, one of the Pullman car passengers remarked: "The rum business is about the rottenest going. If a man gets money out of it, he more than pays the price. Every dollar is covered with slime and tears and blood." A wholesale liquor dealer across the aisle straightened up and defended the traffic. He called the other man a crank, and accused him of talking about something he did not understand, as the people who sing psalms and go to church always do. The first speaker smiled a quizzical smile and said quietly: "If I don't know what the rum business is, I'd like to know who does, I know it top and bottom, inside and out. I have been in it for twenty years, and am now running three saloons in Chicago."—Cavan.

#### If You Want to Teach a Child

That Heaven Is His Home, that God is his Father, that Christ is his brother, that the ties which bind the world are family ties, you must begin by purifying the original ideas. You must make the thought of home endearing, the name of father sacred, the sense of brotherhood protective, the relationship of the family divine.—George Matheson.

### LOVE -- AND -- UNITY

Therefore, as Ye are Bound in Everything, in Faith, and Utterance, and Knowledge, and in Diligence, and in Your Love to Us, see That Ye Abound in this Grace Also. 2 Cor. 8:7.

Harold J. Fritz

The Church of God should hold up such a high standard that it cannot be gain-said from a Bible standpoint. I wonder if our members show forth that white heated love as John did to Jesus or is there a cold and indifferent spirit shown toward one another? Love and unity do not, and never will, abound with a people where this exists.

Every person has a mission, but is it the mission or work God intended for them? If they are not doing what God wants them to they will never prosper. God will allow the devil to attack them and it is doubtful whether or not they will be able to stand. Woe unto the person who knoweth his duty and doeth it not, for he will never gain the objective. God will not be with him, but blessed is he that knowing his duty hardeneth not his heart, but striveth to do his Lord's bidding and is always found seeking and striving diligently to walk in his heavenly Father's steps and to fulfill his Saviour's bidding, or the mission God has given him.

Those who love Christ are the ones who honor and reverence Him and are obedient to His will, anticipating a glorious reunion at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. There are thousands of people dying every day, dropping off into eternity and doomed to meet the judgment bar unprepared to meet God. What will our record be?

You and I are responsible to a certain extent and are going to be held accountable. Our lives are sermons and we will be judged by them. Our works will live long after we have de-

parted from this world and if we are not careful some one is going to point their finger at us and tell us we were the cause of their souls being lost. Our sermons have not been true or, if you please, our lives have not been what they should have been. "Be sure your sin will find you out." This does not necessarily mean that our fellowmen will know all our sins. There are various ways of our sins finding us out, it may be by our posterity.

God will not allow a person who is disobedient the privileges and comforts He does the obedient. God says, "Without shedding of blood there is no remission." It takes the shedding of blood because the life is in the blood, and the penalty of sin is death, the giving up of life, the shedding of blood. The life of the flesh is in the blood. The penalty for man's sin requires the life or blood of man. This man, Christ Jesus, kept the law perfectly, thus fulfilling the law and then shedding of the blood of this perfect man could meet the demands of the law. For every man, yea the whole world Jesus loved His Father even as His Father loved Him, therefore His only desire was to serve Him.

Christians who are God fearing people will do His command through love. The very stubbornness of the will when subdued by affection seems to pass over into the affection itself which subdued it and becomes an impulse of sweet tenacity. Love is a kind of current setting out toward God and man, a kind of inundation. It seizes from the banks and bears upon

#### Shouting and Shining For Jesus

EUPORA, Miss.—I am praising God today for what He is to me. He wonderfully saved me from sin and sinning. Some of the saints are shouting and shining for Jesus. Praise His name.

Some have seen the light on the Church of God and are standing for it, so I am praising God for a few more witnesses for the Lord.

Pray for the colored saints at this place.

Yours for His Church, Leo Cooper, Bx. 38, Haynes, Ark.

#### THE CANCELLED DEBT

He gave me back the bond; It was a heavy debt; And, as He gave, He smiled, and said, "Thou wilt not me forget."

He gave me back the bond— The seal was torn away; And, as He gave, He smiled, and said, "Think thou of me away."

That bond I still will keep, Although it cancelled be; It tells me what I owe to Him Who paid the debt for me.

I look on it and smile; I look again and weep; This record of His love to me Forever will I keep.

A bond it is no more; But it shall ever tell That all I owed was fully paid. By my Emmanuel.

—Selected.

its bosom whatever has been lying back stiff, stark and immovable. The nerve of affection is there, the only chord within us whose vibrations are able to break the silence of the soul and fill its chambers with sweet resonance. Those who love with purity consider not the gift of the lover, but the love of the giver. Remember the gift of God to this world.

#### PERILOUS TIMES

J. B. Ellis

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come." 2 Tim. 3:1. That we are living in a day of peril cannot be denied by any fair thinking mind. Selfishness, covetousness, pride and pleasure seeking has a grip on humanity that is alarming.

I have before me now, a Dec. 12, 1925 issue of the Atlanta Constitution. A lengthy article titled: A Thirst Sound Challenge to All Christian Sects. It states that in New York, a militant institution has just been granted a certificate of incorporation, waging war on Christianity. They propose to launch a destructive agency against all religion, especially the Christian religion. They openly declare their purpose to stop religious worship of a verbal idol and make man the supreme ruler of all.

If this is not the principal upon which the man of sin will operate, what does it lack? They propose to send organizers all over the world and declare that unlimited means and money will back their efforts.

You may begin to look for the appearance of the Antichrist right, Antichrist means, no Christ, no God, no religion. It means exalting man above all that is called God. Showing himself off that he is God, that is, he is the product of human developments.

According to the accepted chronology we are now on borrowed time according to the present reckoning of time. The times of the Gentiles have expired. I am looking for some wonderful things to take place in the next few years.

There is no time to waste. The night of tribulation is approaching when no man can work. Let every minister become actively engaged in hastening the coming of the Lord. Let every member of the Church put on the whole armour, that they may be able to stand in the evil day. Would you like for Jesus to come and catch you off your guard? Would you be willing for Him to come and find you with his tithes in your hands, while your pastor was having to labor with his hands to provide for his wife and babies? You can't afford to be found in this shape.

#### "Be Not Deceived"

J. W. Culpepper

It seems to me if there ever was a time when this text should appeal to the people, it is now when deception is abroad in the land. Surely the Gentile apostle with an eye of faith looked down to the twentieth century and saw some things that would take place in our day.

I believe, as long as we will be obedient that we will not be deceived, but when we let something sway us from our duty we welcome evil. Rom. 1:28. As they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to practice the twenty-three evils. One of these evils is deceit.

Deut. 11:16. Take heed that your heart be not deceived. As long as mother Eve was content to obey the voice of the Lord, things moved along nicely, but when she let Satan make her believe the taste of the forbidden fruit would make her wise, her heart was deceived.

It seems to be the failing of the human families to see their mistakes too late. No doubt, (Continued on page 2.)



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## REPORTS

## Successful Revival

WIDENER, Ark.—I thought I would write a few lines to the Evangel just to let the saints know we are still doing business for our King, and that He is still blessing and saving souls at this place.

We had a weeks meeting which started the last Sunday in March. There were three saved, two added to the Church and the fourth Sunday in April five followed the Lord in water baptism. On Monday night we observed the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet.

Please pray for us that we may lift the Saviour up, for He said, "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." Praise His dear name.—Mrs. Lurah Martin, Clerk.

### Thirty-three Saved, Thirty Sanctified, Thirty Received the Holy Ghost

BLACKSBURG, S. C.—We have just closed a three weeks meeting at this place. I am glad to report that it was a wonderful revival. God manifested His power throughout the entire meeting.

During the meeting there was thirty-three saved, thirty sanctified, thirty received the Holy Ghost and twenty-eight added to the Church. We also had some wonderful healing services and God was with us to own and to bless. The saints fell under the power, praise God. We had a baptismal service Sunday, April 25, 2:00 p. m. and God wonderfully blessed at the water. There were thirty-one baptized. The Word was given out in its fulness by Brother S. C. Chambers of Rock Hill. God so wonderfully blessed throughout the entire meeting that the enemy went down in defeat, praise God.

Besides Brother Chambers we had several other saints with us from different places. At the beginning of the meeting there were only a few members here, but these were loyal to God and went to work faithfully and brought precious souls to the feet of Jesus, and God began to send them out to hear the Word. Pray that God will continue to bless in the Church here as He has in the past few weeks, and that we may press forward.—George W. Cooper, clerk.

## ENJOYED SERMON

Brother H. O. Harris preached a fine sermon for us Apr. 25. The Lord greatly blessed him in giving out the Word and I surely felt the presence of the Lord. The saints danced and talked in tongues. Brother Harris is the only Church of God preacher that has ever been here.

Please pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost.

F. B. Sayer.  
 Box 24, Ivanhoe, Va.

### HURRAH FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE—GOD IS BLESSING THEIR EFFORTS

ORLANDO, Fla.—Bless the Lord, Oh my soul and all that is within me. Bless His holy name.

Beloved saints, I feel like writing these few lines this morning in behalf of the young

## NOTICES

## Come to Dedication Service

I praise Jesus for salvation and for adding me to the great Church of God. We have had a hard struggle but are now coming on top.

The Lord has opened the way for us to have a place in which to worship. We have bought over an acre of land and a school house for our church. We intend to dedicate it to the Lord the second Saturday night and Sunday, May 9.

We invite the saints everywhere to come. Any one desiring to come, may go to Obion station, go from there to Troy on a bus, then get on another bus at Troy and go to McAnnar to Yellow Hammer Crossing. You are invited.

P. F. Graves,  
 R. 1, Troy, Tenn.

## Sunday School Convention

The Sunday School Convention for the Birmingham district will convene at Carbon Hill, Ala., on Saturday night, May 29 and will continue over Sunday May 30. Dinner on the ground.

All schools are requested to be represented by superintendents, teachers, pupils and pastors as far as possible. The Carbon Hill people say they will entertain all who will come.

Our overseer, J. B. Ellis is to be present. Good speakers will be there for the occasion. Come expecting a good time.

C. Dodd,  
 W. E. Raney,  
 P. F. Fritz,  
 Committee.

## CORRECTION

In the orphanage report of the Apr. 24 issue of the Evangel, was, David J. Goude, Columbia, S. C., \$9.04; should have read, S. S. Columbia, S. C., \$9.04.

I would like to know if there are any Church of God people in Fayetteville, North Carolina. I would like to hear from some. I would also like to know if they have meeting there as I would

people at Orlando, Fla. My heart goes out in gratitude and praise for the great work the young converts are doing. Some are really standing firm and true.

They are holding cottage prayer meetings each Friday night from place to place and God is blessing the babes in Christ. Sinners are being saved, backsliders reclaimed, souls are really getting blessed. God is smiling on these young men and women and accepting every effort they put forth. We are expecting great things of God.

We have large crowds every service and the rain doesn't stop them. It is enough to be proud of; only boasting in Jesus. He is worthy to be praised for He has done so much for us here.

Our good shepherd, Brother Farmer, is so good to the young people. He is at most every service with them to encourage them on in the good work. Praise the Lord for sending such a good man to this place. He has done a good work here.

We are expecting to launch out in deeper waters and expect God to save more precious souls. Glad He is no respecter of persons.

Dear saints, one and all, let us nestle closer to Jesus, continue the good work and pray more for our young boys and girls. Not only those at Orlando but everywhere. Let us not get cold and careless, but be about our Father's business and do more for Him than we have in the past. There is no case too hard for Him. I've tried and proved Him true. God does hear and answer prayer.

So let us pray more.

Matt. 25:5, 6, says, "While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him."

Let us be awake and on fire for God.

Your humble sister in prayer for the lost,  
 Mrs. Maude Futrell.

## THE LORD BLESSED

QUINTON, Ala.—We have just closed a meeting at a little

like to attend Church of God meetings. I hope some Church of God people will bring a tent and come here and hold a meeting. Please pray for my husband and children.—Ella Bailey, Fayetteville, N. C.

The Church of God at Lenoir City, Tenn., wishes to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following members: Jennie Grimes, Nora Costner, Fan Hulston.

Addie Brooks, clerk.  
 J. R. Thomas, pastor.

I expect to return to Birmingham, Alabama about the 27th of this month. Any one desiring to have me hold a meeting for them please write Mrs. Sarah J. Franklin, 2350-23 St., Ensley, Ala.

## Home Coming Day at Erwin Hill, Georgia

The friends and members of the Church of God at Erwin Hill, Ga., are invited to attend the Annual Home Coming Day service, the second Sunday in May. We want every member of this local Church to be present. Come! We are expecting a good time in the Lord.

There will be preaching at 11:00 a. m. We will observe the Lord's supper and feet washing in the afternoon.

J. R. Davis.

After careful consideration I have decided to discontinue the Churches at Port Huron and Bessemer, Michigan. On and after the 20th day of June 1926 they will be considered disbanded, and those desiring their membership transferred to some other Church will please notify us at once.

These Churches have not been in working order since we have had charge of the work in the state and we feel that it is useless to keep their names on our minutes any longer. M. P. Cross, Overseer of Mich. 6251 Avery Ave., Detroit, Mich.

place called Big River. The Lord greatly blessed. Many are looking this way. I am glad I am a member of the Church of God. Pray for me.—T. A. Wimberly.

## BUSY FOR JESUS

MONROE, La.—I am glad to report victory. Have been very busy in these last days. Visited twenty-three homes, answered many calls to pray for sick, and am now having a 60 x 40 tabernacle erected at Quartz, where my dear husband was killed by the enemy. We find many churches to be erected. Pray hard for your servant that God's will be done.

Mrs. Amelia Shumaker.

## NEW CHURCH IN PIKE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

FORISTON, Ky.—I came to this place in March and found some good saints on fire for the Lord, and their hearts were open for the truth. When they heard the Word on Church government they accepted it. Fourteen came into the Church of God.

Two preachers and several others are looking this way. A good ripe field is at this place for the Church of God. We did not have room for the people that came to hear the Word. They were surely hungry to hear the truth.

We also organized a Sunday school last Sunday with fifty-eight in attendance.

Pray that God will give me souls for my hire. I want to do my best this year. There are several other places where they want a Church set in order as soon as I can get to them.

Your brother, H. M. Bates, State Evangelist.

## Working For Jesus In Maine

For many weeks I've intended to send a little message to you through our dear Evangel, but have been busy night and day since last July working for God. Husband and myself and two

daughters have a little mission in the slums of Portland, Me., where God called us. We have services every night, so are real busy.

About two hundred foreign children are around us, and all denominations you can think of. Many are Catholics. If ever there was a place where the Evangel was needed (also Church of God preachers) it is this city. I want to thank the ones at Cleveland, Tenn. who have been so faithful to send our package of papers so promptly each week. Thank you, and thank God. If you only knew the wonderful use we make of these papers, you would be glad, I'm sure.

As Portland is on the seacoast we meet sailors and fishermen from all places. Have sent the Evangel to Scotland, England, and other far away places, by these sailors, who come into our mission.

The light is dawning slowly, but praise His dear name we expect to see Maine holding up her banner before very long. The cold has been terrible—hindered us much. Money comes hard, but one daughter is working to help meet expenses. We all feel we can't thank God enough for doing so much for our family. We also praise God for the dear little church in Manatee, Fla., where six of our family received the baptism of the Holy Ghost with evidence of speaking in other tongues, four years ago. Please pray for us.

Your loving sister in Christ.  
 Mrs. J. H. Dorsett,  
 Church of God Mission  
 110 Middle St.,  
 Portland, Maine

## SAINTS STANDING TRUE

MARKS, Miss.—We came herethreeweeksago from Drew, Mississippi. We left the saints at Cleveland, Mississippi on fire for God, and found the church at Marks which was set in order by Brother E. L. Wright, in January, moving on nicely.

How we do love men like Brother Wright and our State Overseer, Brother G. C. Dunn and State Evangelist C. G. Edwards and for all of our ministers who stand for the Church of God.

There is a small band of us and if any one wants us to help them in spare time we would be glad to hear from you.—D. S. Williams, c/o D. C. Jones, Route 1, Marks, Miss.

## WORK MOVING ON FOR GOD

LENOIR CITY, Tenn.—I want to praise the Lord this afternoon for full and free salvation. I am still on victory side and the sweet presence of the Holy Ghost abides which brings peace and comfort. I can never give our Savior enough praise for His blessings to me. He is so precious to me, for He has helped me to overcome for nine years.

We have just closed a fifteen days meeting on the 22d of February. Brother J. R. Thomas, pastor, in charge. The Lord surely did bless in a wonderful way. The Word was given out with great power. Several were saved and sanctified. Eight received the Holy Ghost and eight came into the Church.

Many more precious souls are looking this way. We are having some good times in the Lord at this place. The saints are standing for the true gospel of Christ and it is not too straight for them, praise the Lord. We mean to hold on to His unchanging hand, who is able to take us through. We have a good Sunday school with seven classes. The work is moving on for God. We covet your prayers.—Mrs. Belle Buck.

## "Be Not Deceived"

(Continued from page 1.) when Eve was driven out of that beautiful garden with her head hung in shame, with the death sentence passed on her and a flaming sword placed to keep the way of the tree of life; her very soul was awakened to the feeling of being deceived, but

too late.

We recall when Judas let his heart deceive him. He thought he could sell his Lord, and when the hour came Jesus would pass out of their midst and he would get by with the thirty pieces of silver. But when he saw the Lord submit, and condemnation set up, he threw the money down, went out and hanged himself.

2 Kings 19:10. Let not thy God deceive thee. When Judas let money become his god it deceived him, and when it was too late he became fully awakened to his mistake.

We get another sad picture in the case of Ananias and Sapphira, his wife, when they agreed to keep back part of the price. When it was too late they saw their mistake. Be not deceived. This is a commandment. Surely there is no worse feeling than that of being deceived.

Matt. 24:4. Let no man deceive you. Surely the great Shepherd knew there would come a time of deception, when men would deceive one another.

I wonder today if there are not men who have let their love for man over-balance them, and they are laboring under deception.

One man said he was praising the Lord for giving him the light on the Church of God, and later on he said the Lord led him out of it. For awhile I could not understand both statements, how the Lord led him in the Church and out of the Church. Then I read Psa. 125:5, As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the Lord shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity; but peace shall be upon Israel.

If we will not do right God will set us aside, and while we are on the side track we see every pilgrim passing by. Of course when we shut God out of our heart we welcome the spirit that makes us want to backbite, and many live on this side track until it is too late. If you tell them of their mistake they think you are their enemy.

Once there was a wreck on a highway, and while the wreck was taking up the wreck a car came along. When they gave the driver the danger signal he thought it was an enemy wanting to rob him, and speeded up his car. When it was too late he became awakened to his conditions and saw his wife dead, his car wrecked and his limbs broken. He saw he had deceived himself. Gal. 6:3. For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

There will come an unveiling day when many things will be revealed. The wise man said that God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil. God sees all our actions so I cannot see why any one should want to get by man with deception.

Once a minister became very ill. The doctor told him he could not live so he sent for his brethren. When they arrived he told them to change their way of living, that he was lost. He said what he had been preaching to them would do to live by, but would not do to die by. He turned and made the same statement to his wife as

she stood by with tear stained cheeks. He sank back in despair and gloom pleading for them not to let him go, that the demons had come to carry him away. It took five men to hold him in the bed while he passed away fighting demon powers that had deceived him until it was too late to make wrongs right.

Some one said if we were honest in our belief we were all right, but Peter says for this they are willingly ignorant. Also Paul tells us that because they believe not the truth God shall send them strong delusions. See 2 Thes. 1:1-12. What we think about a thing doesn't make it right if it is not right.

To be deceived brings one of the most disappointing things. To place confidence in a man and then him betray you, deceives you and seems to go deeper than most any hurt.

Be not deceived. The writer no doubt had some sad experiences in writing to the Corinthians. He says, "In perils among false brethren." I fail to see why any one should want to practice deception, knowing that the same eye that was watching Achan is watching them. Finally He will pull the blanket off of them and they will have to take their dose as Achan did. Not only them but their wives and children will have to suffer on the account of their meanness.

If we are an Achan we just as well say so. If we try to dodge the issue we will deceive ourselves and some day the God of the skies will let us know that we haven't deceived Him.

Matt. 7:22, 23. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

As they go away into gloom and despair they will wish they had been honest with themselves and God.

I was talking to a man, who said he would like to be a Christian, but he would hear preachers preach so many different ways that he did not know which one was right. I told him to read and obey the Bible and he would be right.

It is sad to think of the deception that is coming from the sacred stand. But I thank the dear Lord for the privilege of living open-hearted, so when the great rewarding day comes we will be glad with exceeding joy. Glory. I feel something now that is like heaven to me.

I will leave the subject with you dear readers. BE NOT DECEIVED.

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## DIVINE HEALING

### A Friend Who Bears Our Sorrows And Afflictions

It has been some time since I have written but I still have the victory in my soul. I am praising the Lord because, in His infinite love and tender mercy, He has kept me under the blood and has given me that sweet peace and happiness which comes in the knowledge that my Redeemer liveth.

I am so glad we have One who will bear our sorrows and afflictions as well as our sins. I want to praise Him for his great healing power which rebukes the evil one and makes us every whit whole. I took sick Sunday with the flu and terrible pains in my back. Some of the saints prayed and had others to pray no results at the time, but sometime Monday morning the pain stopped and the fever was almost gone, but still I was too weak to get up. Tuesday night several of the saints came in and had prayer meeting. Oh how the Lord did pour out His blessings upon us. The saints shouted and talked in tongues under the mighty power of God, and the Lord gave two sisters the same song in the Spirit. God surely did approve of our little meeting for every one of us was filled and thrilled with the Holy Ghost power. As a result of this meeting I was healed, and was able to get up, and have been up ever since, thank God. Oh, I praise Him forever for His wonderful love.

How glad I am I can trust Him with my body as well as my soul. If we trust Him with our souls, our most precious possession, then why should we fear to trust Him with these earthly bodies? If it is His will He will heal us, if not it is not far to glory and rest.

I now think of Easter, the day we hold sacred in commemoration of the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, when He conquered death, hell and the grave. Surely there was a happy time when Jesus again appeared to the disciples, making Himself known to them as the One they had seen led away by the howling mob. This was the same Jesus who had walked and talked with them day by day, teaching them the way of eternal life, which we, today, must follow. Now they know of a truth He was the Son of God, and His Word true, for had He not told them these things should come to pass,—that He would be put to death and should rise again. When He arose a victor over the dark domain He destroyed the bonds of death and opened the way into the holiest of holies. Through the shedding of His blood death has lost its sting and the grave its victory, praise His name forever.

I truly love the Lord with all my heart, and I praise Him because I am saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost, and in the Church of God. I have been a member of the dear old Church of God about two years and a half and I love her better every day for I realize more and more that she is the true Bible Church, and the Bride of Christ. When you pray please remember the church at Marietta, and also your sister in Christ, Maymie Patterson, 824 Second Street, Marietta, Ohio.

### THE LORD IS OUR HEALER

I want to sound a note of praise to God this morning through the Evangel. First, because Christ gives me victory in my soul. Hallelujah. Second, because He heals me when I am sick. Praise His name.

I am 13 years old. I have never tasted medicine of any kind. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the precious Holy Ghost and a member of the dear old Church of God. I have been a member five years and the longer I am a member the better I love her. Praise the Lord. I feel like traveling on.

Every one that knows the worth of prayer, pray for me that I will do what God wants me to do.

Mary Viney, Route 2, Box, 91, Forrest City, Ark.

### JESUS CARES FOR US

I thank and praise God for His love and care. He cares for us when we are not mindful of His tender mercies.

Last December God healed me of a severe pain in my left side. I failed to testify to it through the Evangel as I promised God I would do, and the result of my disobedience was another seige of suffering. My side began hurting me again in February, also my breast. I promised God again if He would heal me I would testify to it. Well praise God, He has healed me again.

Please pray that I may do God's will. I am not a member of the Church of God but I believe its teachings, for it is Bible. Pray that God will send some of His servants to this place.

A friend, Andersonville, Tenn.

### JESUS' POWER IS SUFFICIENT

I am praising the good Lord this morning for His goodness to me and my family. I praise Him for His healing power.

In January our little girl was very sick of chills and fever, had been sick four or five weeks. Husband and I trust the Lord for the healing of our bodies, also for our children, so we prayed and had others to pray. It looked like she would get worse all the time. She continually called on us to pray and we could neither eat nor sleep.

I kept praying until God showed me that I did not have her on the altar. We were not willing to give her up. Finally one morning we told the Lord if He did not want us to keep her He could take her on. When I got willing for God to have His way He came on the scene and instantly healed her. She ate a hearty breakfast, hadn't eaten but very little in four weeks. His power is sufficient. Praise His name.

We find in Jesus all we need. Last Easter two years ago, I was healed of a lame leg which had been lame seven years. He has healed husband, children and I many times.

Pray that we will be like Jesus when He comes. Yes, we belong to the great Church of God.

Mrs. J. A. Lewis,  
Ft. Myers, Fla.

### Greatly Encouraged

I am still thanking God for His healing power. I have been troubled with a severe hurting in my breast for some time. I sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse to be anointed and prayed over. When the handkerchief returned I was so interested in other sick ones that I rushed to take their mail to them and pray with them. I have never laid the handkerchief on yet, but through faith in Christ have not felt any more symptoms of my trouble.

We also trusted God when we had the flu and He healed us.

I am more encouraged to press on than ever. Pray that I may live a life that will be the means of sinners coming to Christ.

Minnie Larson, R. 1, Bx. 56, Clay City, Ky.

### RELIEVED OF SUFFERING

I want to sound a note of praise to my Saviour for His mighty healing power. He has healed my body. I suffered about six weeks. About ten minutes after I received the anointed handkerchief from Brother Rouse, I was rid of pains, and have been well ever since. Praise God.

I praise Him for the Holy Ghost. My heart's desire is to learn more of Jesus for He is all to me. I do not see how I could live without Him.

May God bless all is my prayer.

Mrs. Earl Williams,  
Inverness, Miss.

### Trusts in the Great Physician

I had influenza a few days past. My husband sent Brother

Rouse a cloth to be anointed and prayed over and I was almost well when it arrived. The healing power went through my body and I was healed the minute it was put on me. I have been sick many times and never call a doctor, I look to the Great Physician and trust in Him.

God saved me sixteen months ago. He lifted me out of sin and placed my feet on higher ground. I once thought I was saved, but only had my name on a Church book. That was all there was to it. I did not have the love of Jesus.

Thank God, I am now saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have been wonderfully blessed since I became a new creature in Christ. When I was in sin I thought I had a good time going to parties, shows and dances, but I praise God for a salvation that makes us dislike such things. I now love the works of the Lord.

I thought I was all right because I had my name on the Church book. I found my mistake when I began to read my Bible. I found out it takes something besides joining the Church, to get to heaven. I was by myself, knelt down by the fireside and began to pray and the Lord wonderfully blessed me. The neighbors were excited and came running to see what was wrong with me. They soon found out. Praise His dear name.

I love to serve Jesus. Pray that husband and I will stay humble.

A child of God, May Phipps,  
Mountain City, Tenn.

### A Wonderful Healer

I praise God for victory over sin since the Lord saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost.

Since He saved me I have learned to trust Him for the healing of my body. He heals me, also my children when we get sick.

I was very sick and hardly knew what to do for relief of pain. I gave up to God to die as my suffering was intense. But praise God, He healed me. He is a wonderful healer. Bless His name. I feel His sweet presence now.

I have no desire to go back in sin. There is very little pleasure in this world without Christ. This world is full of sin and sorrow. Men, women and children are rapidly going to hell without hope. Oh, if they would only come to Christ. May God help them to see their lost condition is my prayer. I live a clean life before my children so they will not stumble over my acts.

I enjoy reading the Evangel as it is food for my soul.

Yours in Jesus,  
Sarah Millar, Deerfield, Fla.

### Once Deep in Sin—Now Saved and Healed

About six years ago I became an awful sinner. I was a moonshiner, I was ready to do most anything that was sin.

About two years ago I was struck with an awful disease. I was in the worst trouble of my life. Then I began to seek God. I didn't believe there was any chance for me, but after seeking and praying about eighteen months He gloriously saved me.

I was sitting on my seat while a number of God's people were praying. I bowed my head and began praying and God saved me. When He took my sins away I could see nothing but a clear light. Praise His holy name. I know I am saved for I have no desire for the things of the world.

I was reading in the Evangel how God is working through Brother Rouse and so many are being healed. I had an eating sore in my mouth and God healed me. I felt God's healing power go through my body. Praise His name.

I believe in a clean life. Pray that I may be faithful until the end. — George Phipps, R. 3, Mountain City, Tenn.

### Healed of Different Diseases

Dear Brother Rouse: I have been intending to write for a long time. Several times I have sent you handkerchiefs to be anointed; and each time God answered prayer and the sick

were healed. Bless His holy name. I praise God for healing of typhoid fever, whooping cough and many other diseases. The good Lord saw fit to take my husband home July 23, 1925. He was saved, sanctified, and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost and lived a clean life. Our great loss is heaven's gain, but he has gone to be with Jesus.—Mrs. Autrie Taylor, Lusby, Md.

### Gained Strength Through Prayer

I suffered more than a year with stomach trouble, also a large knot on my side. I continued to grow worse all the time, and all was done by friends that could be done. I was almost gone. I laid the little Evangel on my body and asked God to heal me, and received great relief. I also received an anointed handkerchief from Brother Rouse which I laid on my afflicted body and gained strength, am now able to be up. I am glad I can trust Him for both soul and body. I truly praise Him.

I am more determined to go through with Jesus than ever before, have no desire to turn back. Please pray that all symptoms of the knot in my side will completely vanish in the name of Jesus, that I may be able to get out and work for Jesus. I desire to do His will.

Henry Lee Larson,  
Clay City, Ky.

### Healed of Chills

I am one among the number who praises God for His healing power.

A few weeks ago I was having some bad chills and the Lord wonderfully healed me. Each time I chilled, I did as the Word teaches us; called for the elders of the Church and they prayed for me. The healing came just as if I had taken a dose of medicine, but I did not take a dose, praise God.

I praise Him for healing other members of my family also, and for His great love and mercy. Please pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost.

Your humble servant in Christ, W. A. Taylor, Marks, Miss.

### Healed By Mighty Power of God

I sent a handkerchief to Bro. Rouse to be prayed over and anointed last Dec. when I was suffering with puris. I was healed before the handkerchief returned. Praise His great name. I give God the glory. I know He will heal when we go to Him in earnest.

He also healed my daughter-in-law, my grand-daughter and my little girl last November. No one was there to call on but the dear Lord. We called on Him. He heard our cries and all were healed. Bless His name.

Your sister in Christ,  
Ollie Bailey.

### HEALED OF PNEUMONIA

I want to sound a word of praise to the Lord for what He has done for us in the healing of our two children. Our little boy took flu and it developed into pneumonia. We called in the saints and we anointed him and prayed for him according to James 5:14, 15, glory to God. He also wonderfully healed my baby. I promised the Lord if He would heal the baby I would testify to it through the Evangel so I am praising God this morning for His saving, sanctifying and healing power. I also thank Him for the precious Holy Ghost that keeps us sweet in our souls.

I earnestly request the prayers of God's people that I may stay right in the center of God's will. Mrs. A. J. Sandifer, Route 1, Epps, La.

### Time is Getting Ripe For Great Revival

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Just a few words concerning the work here. Seems that the time is getting ripe for a great revival. A number are seeking the Lord and God is blessing in a wonderful way. Many are being healed of divers diseases, praise the Lord.

On Sunday night, January 31, the power fell in a wonderful way and several were instantly healed. Last Sunday night one

sister came for healing and received healing during testimony meeting. Another sister was healed before we got to her to lay on hands. A few weeks ago a woman's mind was restored in answer to prayer, we are giving God the glory.

We feel that the financial system of the Church here is commendable. It consists of a committee of three; secretary, treasurer and an associate. The said secretary is also Church clerk. A complete record is kept and report made each month of all money, including individual tithes.

The secretary recently asked the Church to appoint an auditing committee to audit books and make report of same. The church decided to let this work be a part of the business to be transacted by deacons associated with the pastor at their regular monthly meetings and report made annually. This stimulates the interest of the financial part of the Church and a good will is manifested to all, hence most all, in fact all true and loyal are paying tithes and offerings for miscellaneous purposes, orphans included.

The missionary society is busy collecting, as per request of Assembly and are getting on nicely. One point of interest noticeable at first meeting of this society, the pastor stressed the need of prayer for laborers as they are as needful as finance. Prayer was offered for more God sent, spirit-filled laborers on the field and for God to bless those already sent.

The Lord is blessing the pastor, Brother D. Tidwell, in giving out the Word in an intellectual way, with the power and demonstrations of the Spirit, also in praying for the sick.

We are praying for a great revival in a general way, for a Spiritual uplift in the Church and for all the saints everywhere. Our motto: special victory, special grace, special gifts and souls for our hire. Pray for us.—D. F. Baldree.

### REPORT ALL DAY MEETING

ANDERSON, S. C.—Our all day meeting at this place was a grand success. On the morning of Apr. 4 people began to gather early, from almost every direction.

We had a good Sunday school which began at 9:30 a. m. followed by a lively testimony service. As five of the neighboring Churches were well represented, you may know it took some time for all to speak only a few words. Well, the Lord blessed and there was shouting and dancing.

We had some good music on piano and two guitars, with quite a number of singers. After the praise meeting Brother E. M. Ellis, State Overseer, delivered a wonderful message which was greatly enjoyed by all present. After this a nice dinner was spread on the ground and every one seemed to enjoy it.

In the afternoon Brother Ed Johnson of Walhalla, S. C. preached for us and we enjoyed his message and songs.

At 7:00 p. m. the singing began and a season of prayers

and testimonies followed. Then a splendid sermon by Brother Ellis. God greatly blessed him as he spoke of the great Church of God and its beautiful government. One sister walked in the light and was added to the Church.

Eternity alone will reveal the good accomplished during the day. We will never forget it. Hallelujah.

Please pray for us here—we mean to go on.

Nettie Hanvey.

### HELP BEAR THE BURDEN—THEN SHOUT

Noticing Brother J. B. Ellis' article on "Loyalty" in the Feb. 7 issue of the Evangel, I want to say, I mean to be loyal to the Church of God. I mean to let the works follow as well as words.

I believe the best and quickest way to lift the Church indebtedness is just to pay it. I pledge myself to pay \$2.00 a month. Now, come on brethren, let's have the Word fulfilled in us, "Ye are the light of the world" (the Church) and true we are. It may be a sacrifice but I do not feel that I have given anything unless I sacrifice something. Let us help bear the burden, then if Jesus carries I'm sure we can shout at the next Assembly; the windows of heaven will be opened and God will pour out such blessings upon us that there will not be room to contain. Bless His dear name.

P. B. Powers,  
DeQuincy, La.

WALLAND, Tenn. — We closed a three weeks meeting last Sunday night at Walland, Tenn. Brother J. G. Garrett and I began the meeting and later Brother Walter Anderson came to assist. Brother Garrett only stayed two weeks, but Brother Anderson and I continued the meeting.

Some came to the altar, two were sanctified, one received the Holy Ghost, and many were brought under conviction which we hope will bear fruit later on.—Horace O. Lewis.

### Revival Meeting

A revival meeting will begin at Manatee, Florida, May 12, D. V. Everybody invited to attend, especially all the saints from the different churches on the district. All are invited to come and help in the battle for lost souls.

We are expecting Brother John L. Stephens and wife to be with us, so let us all pray for a good old time revival.—H. B. Simmons and wife, pastor.

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# Obituaries

## RASMUSSEN

On Saturday evening at 4:45 o'clock, April 17 God in all his wisdom called from our midst, Brother Torvold H. Rasmussen, born in Norway, Oct. 14, 1893. At the age of four-teen he came to America. Later he settled down in life.

In the year 1919 he gave his heart to the Lord and was saved, a few weeks later he was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. He also was a member and evangelist in the Church of God, and the Lord crowned his efforts with success.

In the month of November 1925, he came to N. Dak., but his stay there was only four months and a few days when the Lord called him home. He was loved and also proved a blessing while here.

He leaves to mourn his death a mother, three brothers, three sisters, and a host of friends. The writer officiated in the funeral service.

A precious one from us is gone. A voice we loved is still. His place on earth has been left vacant. Which never can be filled.

Paul H. Walker, State Overseer, N. Dak.

## TAYLOR

April 5, 1926 the death angel called Sister Artie Taylor home to be with Jesus. Her husband Daniel Taylor, preceded her to that home above July 23, 1925.

All was done for her that loving hands could do. She longed to go home to heaven. She wanted to know if the chariot was coming after her. She was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

She leaves to mourn her death, six children, a host of relatives and friends. Her body was laid to rest in the St. John Cemetery.

A loved one from us is gone. Yet God was in it all; Let us all trust in Jesus Till our name He will call.

Her daughter, Bertha E. Taylor, Apple, Md.

## PAIGE

The death angel visited the little town of Whittington, Ill., Apr. 3, 1926, and claimed for its victim our beloved Brother Robert Paige. He was seventy years of age.

He was a faithful member of the Church of God at Mt. Vernon, Ill. He was a soldier of the cross for a long time, working in the Baptist Church and others until he found the Church of God, which he gladly accepted. He was a minister of the Gospel and held exhorters license at the time of his death.

He was greatly devoted to God and to his family. He had been in poor health all winter and was only able to be in service here one time. But when he was here he cheered our hearts with his songs and encouraging words. He praised God for love and victory in his heart. To know him was to love him.

Funeral service was conducted by the writer, Easter morning, at the Whittington Baptist church. The building would not hold the crowd that had gathered to view the remains of the well respected brother and citizen. The many tears shed proved their love for him.

He leaves to mourn, his loving wife, several children and step-children and a brother, Joseph Paige. Also a host of other relatives and friends.

The body was laid to rest in the Oak Hill Cemetery to await the resurrection morn. We sorrow not as those who have no hope, for we are sure a crown is awaiting him. We expect to meet him again in a better place than this His pastor, John O. Yates.

## CARNETT

On April 2, 1926 the death angel called away Sister Della Carnett, the loving wife of Lawrence Carnett.

She was saved while young and joined the Baptist Church. About eight years ago she was sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and joined the Church of God.

I pastored the Church where her membership was, about three years. She was always faithful in service, ready to help support the Gospel and to see to the needs of the ministers and their families.

She was sick a long time but bore her sickness with patience. As the saints would gather and sing and pray with her she would shout and talk in tongues.

Before she died she made arrangements for her funeral and suggested the songs she desired sung. She went to sleep in Jesus to await the resurrection morn when we expect to meet her again.

She leaves to mourn her departure, her husband, four children, father, mother and a host of relatives and friends. She was a sister of Brother W. J. Milligan, pastor of the Church of God at Eldorado, Ill.

Funeral service was conducted at the home by the writer, and the body was laid to rest in the Equality Cemetery.

A loved one from us is gone. A voice we loved is still; A place is vacant in the home Which never can be filled.

John O. Yates, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

## COLE

February 24, 1926 the dear Lord called for sweet little Pearloline Cole to go and be with Him. She was only permitted to be here with her dear mother a short while, just long enough to become so attached to her until it was heart breaking to have to give

her up. Dear Brother and Sister Cole have our sympathy as Brother Cole was away and was not permitted to see her while living. We would say dear brother and sister look up and live true to God, be ready to meet her on that great morning.

Funeral service conducted by the writer.

Jesus has taken a beautiful bud Out of a garden of love Borne it away to the City of God Home of the angels above.

There is a vacancy now Since our darling left us; But the Saviour had need of her, And she has gone with Jesus to dwell. J. L. Underwood, Whigham, Ga.

## GIDDENS

January 30, 1926 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Lewis Giddens and claimed their darling little baby girl, Nadine Adell, age ten months. It seemed as if she suffered intensely from the time she became ill until she passed away. Prayer was offered for her time after time but the dear Lord had a divine purpose for taking her away, and we can only say look up Brother and Sister Giddens for the Lord doeth all things well. The funeral service was conducted by the pastor, Brother Watson.

Thou hast left us precious darling Never more thy face to see Till on heavens bright shore There we will rejoice forevermore.

Live in sweet communion there Heaven's richest blessing to share; Keep looking on so that the angels may tell Little Dell that we'll be there.

One that misses her, her aunt, Mrs. Eva Fussell, Linden, Fla.

## PASS

Our dear friend, Brother Benton Cleo Pass, was called home to heaven Mar. 30, 1926.

On the night of Sept. 13, 1925 he was saved and sanctified, he received the Holy Ghost the 14th, baptized in water the 20th, joined the Church of God the 27th. He was faithful and loyal to the Church until God called him home.

Thou art gone our precious brother To that home where Jesus is; And some day we expect to meet you Where there'll be no parting tears.

Oh we miss you, yes we miss you, When we meet to serve the Lord; But we know that we shall meet you If we obey God's precious Word.

Yes you've gone to be with Jesus, To that home so bright and fair; Where there's everlasting glory, And your soul is happy there.

Father, mother and brothers dear, Will you meet me over there? Sisters dear, keep true and sweet, Until we meet on the golden street.

Walter R. Anderson, Alcoa, Tenn.

## HOLT

Arbie Ransome, son of Brother and Sister J. S. Holt was called to be with Jesus Mar. 27, 1926. Age two years, six months and fifteen days. He died of whooping cough. He bore his suffering patiently.

We weep not as those who have no hope, for our loss is heaven's gain. It is so lonely without him but we hope to meet him again.

He leaves father, mother, two sisters, four brothers and a host of relatives and friends. He was loved by all who knew him.

Funeral service was conducted by Brother Bailey and his body laid to rest in the new home cemetery.

Sleep on little Ransome Your pain is all gone Your soul is at rest In that beautiful home.

Yes Arbie Ransome we loved you, But Jesus loved you best; And called you home to Glory To that sweet place of rest.

His mother and sister, Della and Urah Holt, Bybee, Tenn.

## LOCKE

On Mar. 16, 1926 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister William Locke and claimed their darling baby, John David.

He was born Feb. 17, and departed this life Mar. 16; being two weeks and four days old. His stay on earth was short but oh how we miss him.

All was done that loving hands could do, but Jesus knew best and called him away where he would suffer no more. We loved him dearly but Jesus loved him best. We have a hope of meeting him some sweet day if we will be true to Jesus.

His little body was laid to rest in the Mt. Calvary Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

His aunt who dearly loved him, Bessie Locke, Dillon, S. C.

## ROBINSON

On March 18, 1926 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Mat Robinson and claimed for its victim their darling baby. Age two years, six months and two days.

All was done that loving hands could do, but God in His wisdom saw fit to take little Paul to be with Him.

He leaves to mourn, father, mother, a brother and a host of relatives and friends.

Jesus has taken a beautiful bud, Out of our garden of love; Borne it away to that city of God, Home of the angels above.

Funeral service was conducted by T. L. McLain and his body laid to rest in the Sylar Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus. His aunt, Mrs. Lillie Robinson, Ooltewah, Tenn.

## CHAMBERS

On March 30, 1926 the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Wolford Chambers and claimed their little infant daughter, Harriet J. L., age three months and fourteen days.

Little Harriet died of pneumonia, after an illness of about a week. Everything was done for her that loving hands could do. The writer was called to her home on the night of March 29 where prayer was offered several times. After praying and placing an Evangel upon her she was greatly relieved, but God who knoweth best took her home to be with Jesus. The funeral service was conducted by the writer and her little body was laid to rest in Eau Claire Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

She leaves to mourn her death, a father, mother and four brothers.

A little one from us is gone, A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in this home, That never can be filled.

Harold J. Long, Parkers Landing, Pa.

## DAVIS

On Feb. 27, 1926 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Davis and called away their little daughter. She was three years and six months of age. She was sick only four days.

The morning she took sick she sung, "Just a little while to stay here." All was done for her that loving hands could do but God saw fit to take little Louise home to Him.

She leaves to mourn her death, mother, father, two sisters, three brothers and many relatives and friends. Her remains were laid to rest in the Chapel Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—Lydia Rivers, Stewart, Miss.

## COLYER

The death angel visited the home of Mr. Sam Colyer and claimed his son, Lance Colyer, age fifteen years, eight months and seventeen days. This young boy suffered much, but he bore his suffering with patience. The writer was with him during much of his sickness. Every time we visited him he would always smile and speak. We hope to meet him in the glory world some day.

He is survived by father, mother, three sisters and one brother. He was a jewel in the home and will be missed very much.

The funeral service was conducted by the writer and his body laid to rest in the Somerset Cemetery. Brother and Sister Colyer have our sympathy.—J. S. Douglas and wife.

## PERRY

The death angel visited the home of our son and daughter and took from them their little daughter, Zellmer Virginia Perry, age three months and thirteen days. We know that our loss is heaven's gain, so we weep not for we know that it won't be long until we will meet her around the great white throne.

I ask all who read this to pray for the entire family to be united with the great Church of God and meet in heaven where there will be no parting.—Her grandfather and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Perry.

## Testimonies

### The Church of God—Bible Church

QUINTON, Ala.—I thank God for saving my soul six years ago. I am also sanctified, the Holy Ghost abides and I'm a member of the Church of God. (not gods), the Bible Church. I am talking of the one Cain tried to stop. I thank God because it cannot be stopped. Abel was a righteous man and God accepted his blood, how much more should He accept His own Son's.

"This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness." (the Church of God.) Acts 7:38.

Matt. 16:18 says, "Upon this rock I will build my church."

Paul said in Col. 1:24, "Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church." Praise the Lord. We know it is the Church of God.

Acts 20:28 proves the church. "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."—T. W. Wimberly.

### Lord Blessing on the Plains

BROWNFIELD, Tex.—I want to sound a note of praise for our King and His wonderful works.

Thank God He is still blessing His children on the plains where folks say they are not civilized. He can save and no man can hinder.

We have just finished our tabernacle and God is blessing in saving souls, healing and providing. In fact, I don't see how we could get along without Jesus; He could get along without us, but we cannot make it home without Him.

Our baby has been real sick for two weeks and we have prayed and held on to God for victory and thank God at last victory has come and he is on the speedy road to recovery. He could not eat a thing, was out of his head for two weeks and it looked like every day would be the last, but our God has come with healing in His wings. Well it is just like Him, isn't it? The baby is still weak and I would like to ask all to please pray that God will give him strength as we are trusting God for all and all.

Oh how I do want to see the work in general move on to victory and by God's family moving on she is going, as God's power is unlimited. The Lord has given us some wonderful times here on the plains and we are looking forward to greater things for this is a ripe field and so many good folks are looking this way. Well, we all have a work to do so let us do it with all our might. We may not all be preachers, but we can be a door keeper or some other vessel, but above all we want to be a vessel of honor as a vessel unto dishonor is not worth having. We housewives do not want a lot of vessels we cannot use and are of no benefit to us or no one else. Neither does God want a lot of joiners that are no good to Him. We must keep the house of God rid of all dishonored vessels as one defiled can ruin another close by. But thank God we have the cleanest standard in the world so let us have a clean band of Holy Ghost saints and we will take the true blue out of all rubbish for the House of God.

We may not always be blessed with much to say, but we want to live what we say as it is better to say little and live lots than say much and live little. Let us be a trust worthy in the House of God, and not betray one another's confidence, do what we say or not say so much. It is better not to vow than vow and not pay. It surely means a lot to live true to God and one another. But thank God, it is not impossible as we are sanctified, we are one and God is our Father. Let us live as the family of God, not as brothers and sisters in the flesh, biting and devouring one another, but endeavoring to be a vessel of honor.

Beloved pray for us that we may do God's will on the plains this year as we will do our best for God. God has promised to bless if we do His will and I am determined to do His will and to fill up the gaps that are let down and do all I can to help in the work of the Lord this year. So pray for us and ask God to make us a real vessel of honor.—Mrs. M. E. Drake.

### THE JUDGMENT IS COMING—WILL YOU BE READY?

I want to say I am not ashamed of my Savior today, and have a deeper determination than ever before to go all the way with Him.

I have been living for my blessed Lord almost thirty years and have found Him ready to help me when I call upon His sweet name. Oh, how I love my dear Saviour today. You know no tongue can explain the love a Christian has, glory to His sweet name.

We can see souls who are going the downward road more and more each day and they don't seem to give a thought of their souls and they every one know that judgment is coming and we will have to give an account for our sins, and dear reader, is it you who is going to cry for the rocks to fall on you?

I live in a place where there are but a few Christians and I want you all to pray that God will touch and tender the hearts of the people around here. Pray for me that I will be found doing God's will at all times and be ready when He calls me home.

May God bless everyone of His

children everywhere and especially those young Christians who wrote to me sometime ago. I wish to say your letters were encouraging and a help to me. May God keep you all true in my prayer. — (Miss) Flora Smith, Prospect, Ala.

## REJOICING IN THE LORD

FITZGERALD, Ga. — I thank the dear Lord because I am still finding joy in serving Him. I still feel encouraged to do more for Him in the future than I have in the past and to go onward with His cross to this dying and waiting lost world. The world is waiting for us to point them unto the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world and giveth peace, joy, freedom and deliverance, hallelujah. But as I go from place to place to preach the gospel and to point the world unto the Lamb of God I find people with a long face and a sad countenance saying, "Oh I have so much to stand and so many persecutions until I can hardly bear it."

We find in the precious Word where Jesus said, Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Matt. 5:11, 12.

Dear ones let us be sure that our persecutions are false then we should rejoice and be exceeding glad that we have an opportunity to bear something for His glorious name's sake, hallelujah. We find where one of His great preachers said in 2 Cor. 3:9, For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

Now brethren we see the worldly people rejoicing as they minister condemnation to themselves. We find again where that great prophet said, "Much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory." Praise the dear Lord. I find this to be true for I know I have much more joy now than I had when I was of the world. Salvation is not to endure, but to enjoy with eternal glory. — Earl Paulk.

## JESUS A HELP IN TIME OF NEED

BATON ROUGE, La.—I want to praise God this morning for the gift of His dear Son who came to this world and suffered and died to redeem a poor unworthy soul like me. I do thank Him for the precious cleansing blood of Jesus that sanctifies the soul and causes us to be more than a conqueror. Glory to His precious name. I am glad that His blood reaches me and has cleansed me from every sin. Hallelujah to God.

I am alone in this city, not a saint of God or a Church nearer than 130 miles that I know of, but thank God Jesus is near and I find Him a present help in every time of need. I am glad He said He would never leave or forsake those who put their trust in Him and when all others forsake us, He will still be with us, thank God. Oh, I feel His mighty power going through my very being now. It seems that Jesus becomes more precious to me each day.

I ask all who read this to pray for me that I may live true to Jesus and be a light in this sinful place. Also pray that God will send a Holy Ghost filled preacher here to this city as the truth has never been preached here by a Holy Ghost man. I would like to hear from some of the saints. — Mollie Rabarn, 319 Maximilian St.

## Enjoys Reading the Evangel

CINCINNATI, Ohio.—This is the first time I have written to the Evangel and I want to put my testimony in for the Glory of God. Praise His name. I surely do enjoy reading the Church of God Evangel.

I was converted five years ago at Canton, Ohio. I was a Roman Catholic at that time and I attended meetings at the Auditorium and the Lord spoke peace to my soul. I am so glad of this good way. I want to know more of my precious Saviour and I am determined to never go back but to go onward to the home that God has promised His children. I am a member of the Church of God at this place.

I would like to hear from the Indian brothers and sisters from N. Dak. as I have been praying for them.

May the Lord bless all who read this.—Mrs. Jane Campbell, 111 Findley St.

## Orphanage Report

FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 24 FROM SANITARY BAKERY, Cleveland, Tenn.: 14 pkgs. cinnamon rolls.

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